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<u>PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT</u> REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

Box AF Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

SIR:

This is in response to the Final Rejection mailed on December 31, 2002 and setting a shortened statutory period for response of three months to expire on March 31, 2003.

It is believed that the Final Rejection was mailed in error, since the applicant had mailed an amendment with new claim 9, which was apparently 09/03/2033 RSMITH 08888882 110224 received on December 27, 2002. Applicant submits that claim 9 should not? have been rejected finally, since claim 9 was acted Mage Page 102/28/2005 NPATTERS 0000002 110224

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